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PART I

IMPORTANT GOVERNMENT ORDERS

GENERAL SECRETARIAT

Passes orders dissolving the Road Development Committee.

READ—

Government Order No. S. R. 1340-7—E. C. 12-44-2, dated the 4th September 1944, constituting a Committee under the Chairmanship of the Chief Engineer for Roads and Buildings for examining in detail the scheme for the development of Roads in Mysore and for submitting a comprehensive report thereon.

Government Order No. S. R. 532-732—E. C. 65-44-5, dated the 15th August 1945, constituting among other things, a Committee for Public Works and Transport.

Letter No. T. 1544—45-46, dated 3rd December 1945, from the Chief Engineer for Roads and Buildings and Chairman of the Road Development Committee, stating that since the Committee for Public Works and Transport constituted in the Government Order dated 15th August 1945 read above will consider the schemes for Post-War Development of Roads, there seems to be no necessity for the Road Development Committee constituted under the Government Order of the 4th September 1944 and requesting Orders of Government for the dissolution of the Road Development Committee.

ORDER No. S. R. 2831-37—E. C. 24-45-2, DATED BANGALORE, THE 24TH JANUARY 1946.

Government are pleased to approve the proposal of the Chief Engineer for Roads and Buildings and Chairman of the Road Development Committee.

MOHAMED ISMAIL SHERIFF, *Genl. Secy.*

EDUCATION SECRETARIAT

Passes orders on the proposals of the Director of Public Instruction for the re-organization of the administrative system of the Education Department.

READ—

Government Order No. E. 1042-101—Edn. 241-26-7, dated 7th July 1927, sanctioning the re-organization of the Inspectorate in the Education Department with effect from 1st November 1927.

2. Letter No. Al. 94-6 of 44 45, dated 8th July 1944, from the Director of Public Instruction, submitting proposals for the re-organization of the administrative system of the department.

ORDER No. E. 4453-63—EDN. 62-44-2, DATED BANGALORE, THE 5TH FEBRUARY 1946.

The present administrative and supervisory organization of the department was sanctioned in 1927. Since then, large strides have been taken in the expansion and development of education requiring its consolidation and co-ordination and changes in educational policy have also taken place necessitating readjustment of the machinery for the administration, supervision and control of education to the existing conditions.

The Director of Public Instruction has pointed out several defects in the existing system, the chief of them being (1) absence of unity of educational control in the districts, (2) dual control over the District Educational Officers by the Divisional Deputy Directors in respect of middle schools and by the Deputy Director of Public Instruction for Elementary Education in respect of primary schools, which sometimes leads to clash of instructions, (3) the intermediation of the Deputy Directors between the District Officers and the Director involving unnecessary correspondence and waste of time, and (4) the extension of the jurisdiction of the Deputy Director of Public Instruction for Elementary Education over the whole State so far as that grade of education is concerned, although he is not a part of the Head Office. With a view to remedying the existing defects and introducing unity of control over all grades of schools in a district and also in order that he may be relieved of part of his present overwhelming routine duties to be able to devote his attention to larger and more important issues and give more time and thought to schemes and problems of education expansion and development, the Director has submitted detailed proposals in this behalf.

In brief, the Director's proposals are :—

1. That the present two Divisional Deputy Directors as well as the Deputy Director for Elementary Education be attached to his office with the designations (*a*) Deputy Director for High School and Special Education, (*b*) Deputy Director for Middle School Education, and (*c*) Deputy Director for Elementary Education, the grades of these officers being revised into two grades—two of Rs. 500—40—700 and one of Rs. 700—50/2—800 and they be given additional powers.

2. That the District Educational Officers be placed in charge of institutions of all grades and types in their respective districts and made directly responsible to the Director, the staff of their offices being strengthened.

3. That the inspection of the New Type Middle Schools and Middle Schools and Hostels in rural areas be assigned to Assistant Inspectors, those in district and taluk headquarters being inspected by the District Educational Officers and enlarged powers being given to the District Educational Officers and Assistant Inspectors to enable them to discharge their increased responsibilities;

4. That in view of the increase in the responsibilities to be assigned and the powers to be invested in the District Educational Officers, six places in the grade Rs. 300—20—400 be allocated to these officers by temporarily raising one of the posts in the grade Rs. 200—25/2—300 to Rs. 300—20—400 until the latter is transferred back from the Women's to the Men's cadre and four posts in the lower grade of Rs. 200—25/2—300 be raised to Rs. 300-20-400-25-450;

5. That with a view to providing the District Educational Officers with competent assistance, the grades of the ten Office Assistants to the District Educational Officers be revised from Rs. 35—100 to Rs. 100—7—170;

6. That with regard to the Director's Office, the post of the First Assistant be retrenched, the post of the Second Assistant being converted into that of a Personal Assistant to the Director of Public Instruction in the grade Rs. 200-25/2-300 with the additional staff as detailed below and revision of the grade of the Superintendent of the Special Communities Section from Rs. 75—5—120 to Rs. 100—5—125 to bring it into line with the grade of the other Superintendents in the office:—

1. One Superintendent for Buildings Section in grade Rs. 100—5—125.

2. Three Personal Clerks for Deputy Directors on Rs. 45 each.

3. Four Clerks on Rs. 45 each.
4. Five Clerks on Rs. 40 each.
5. Two Typists in grade Rs. 30—3—60.
6. Nine Peons in grade Rs. 11—½—15.

7. That the present clerical and menial staff of the three Deputy Directors as well as the Office Assistants to the Deputy Directors together with the furniture and other equipment of their offices be distributed among the District Educational Offices as well as his office and a recurring expenditure of Rs. 2,750 per annum for travelling allowance to the three Deputy Directors and their establishment and a non-recurring grant of Rs. 2,500 for purchase of additional articles of furniture be provided.

The proposals of the Director involve an extra cost of Rs. 29,570 per annum as indicated in the proposition statement appended. But there would be a saving of Rs. 2,200 out of the existing allotment for travelling allowance to Deputy Directors and therefore the net extra cost involved in the proposals would be only Rs. 27,370 per annum.

The proposals of the Director of Public Instruction are sanctioned with effect from 1st May 1946 with the modification that the grades of the two of the posts of Deputy Directors be Rs. 500—50/2—750 instead of Rs. 500—40—700 and that the grade of four posts of District Educational Officers be Rs. 400—25—450 instead of Rs. 300—20—400—25—450. The extra cost required during the current year will be met from the sanctioned grants of the department and the necessary provision will be made in the budgets of the next and subsequent years.

N. S. HIRANNAYYA, *Edn. Secy.*

FINANCIAL SECRETARIAT

Constitution of a Financial Branch in the Agricultural and Veterinary Departments.

READ—

Government Order No. A. F. 1033-4—Agri. 340 43-2, dated the 29th August 1944, sanctioning the appointment of an Accounts Assistant to the Director of Agriculture.

2. Letter No. Fl. 5328—43-44, dated the 9th April 1945, from the Director of Agriculture, forwarding with his remarks, a note in the matter of constituting a Financial Branch attached to the Agricultural Department.

3 Unofficial Note No. 793—Es., dated 11th September 1945, of the Comptroller in the matter.

ORDER NO. Fl. 6047-9—G. F. 164-44-6, DATED BANGALORE, THE 8TH FEBRUARY 1946.

In view of the large expansion of the activities of the Agricultural Department on all sides during recent years to meet the growing needs of agriculture and Animal Husbandry, the total volume of financial transactions of the Agricultural and Veterinary Departments have increased to a considerable extent. The transactions on account of sale of manure and agricultural implements have also increased enormously thus throwing a very heavy responsibility on the Director of Agriculture and his staff in accounting for the same. The "Grow More Food Campaign" has also considerably added to their work. The Director of Agriculture had accordingly recommended, in January 1945, to Government the constitution of a separate Financial Branch in the Agriculture Department to assist him in the management of the Financial transactions of the department and for the audit of the same. Pending detailed examination of the proposals for the constitution of a Financial Branch, Government had sanctioned the post of an Accounts Assistant.

The Director of Agriculture has again forwarded a detailed note prepared by the Accounts Assistant with his remarks for the formation of a separate Financial Branch, the same being entrusted also with the audit of the transactions of the department.

At present, just as in the case of other spending departments, the audit of the accounts of this office is centralised in the Comptroller's Office and is limited to the check of establishment, contingent and travelling allowance bills and to such of the bills relating to purchases, etc., as are required by rules to be pre-audited. Most of the vouchers come only under post-audit, *i.e.*, audit after payment and considerable delay in the audit of these accounts has therefore become inevitable. A large number of institutions and ranges handling huge stocks do not come under a systematic and periodical local audit. The Head of the Department, under the present arrangement, has also no scope to get into close touch with the working of these institutions on the financial side. In the absence of a trained audit and accounts personnel within the department to work in close contact with the day-to-day administration, no useful help would be available for the administration and the audit would only be of an academical value.

An efficient check over the transactions of this department therefore does not exist. In view of the fact that there is likely to be further expansion in this department due to attention that is being paid to agricultural problems and the development of agriculture, it is necessary that more attention is paid to the audit and accounting of the transactions of this department.

For making financial control effective and for enforcing proper control of expenditure with due regard to efficiency, Government feel that it is necessary to develop a system of internal audit conducted with an intimate knowledge of the practical working of the department so that errors and irregularities may be avoided in time and the administrative officers may have the advantage of timely financial advice and assistance. It is also necessary to have the accounts in a manner calculated to keep the Head of the Department informed of the financial results of the working of the department and thus enable him to use the available resources to the best advantage.

Government are accordingly pleased to direct the constitution of a separate combined Financial Branch to the Agricultural and Veterinary Departments. The duties of the Financial Assistant in charge of this Branch will be broadly classified as under:—

1. Financial Adviser to the Director of Agriculture and Superintendent, Veterinary and Animal Husbandry Services
2. Accounting Officer of these two departments.
3. Officer in charge of the internal audit of the financial transactions of the two departments.